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Quick Facts

- Dr. Gilbert Cuevas, professor of mathematics at Texas State University-San Marcos, is the keynote speaker.
- S.C. Superintendent of Education Dr. James Rex will speak at the conference luncheon.

ROCK HILL, S.C. – The [Richard W. Riley College of Education](#) will host “**Changing Voices, Changing Views: Diversity in Education**,” a conference aimed at improving education for diverse students, on Friday, Nov. 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the [Withers/W.T.S. Building](#).

The conference will feature a number of speakers, including keynote speaker **Dr. Gilbert Cuevas**, professor of mathematics at Texas State University-San Marcos and professor emeritus of mathematics education from the University of Miami. Recognized by the Mathematical Sciences Education Board of the National Research Council, Cuevas has published numerous articles in the field of mathematics education. His research areas include math education for teachers; instructional strategies for English language learners; student assessment, language and assessment of mathematics; and international teacher development in mathematics.

S.C. Superintendent of Education Dr. James Rex will serve as luncheon speaker at the conference.

Other presenters will include Winthrop faculty members Dr. Deb Leach, Dr. Jennifer Disney, Dr. Brent Cagle and Professor Emeritus Dr. Sue Smith-Rex; Nan Bloom and Margaret Weeks, Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools; Dr. Wendy Dover, special education director, Rock Hill School District; and Montrio Belton, principal, and Kendall Kaiser, literacy coach, Monroe Middle School, Union County, N.C., schools.

“**Changing Voices, Changing Views: Diversity in Education**” will close with a panel discussion on migrant worker families.

Dr. Carol A. Marchel, [Center for Pedagogy](#), said she believes the conference will “provide practical, current information to participants” and will “cover a wide range of diversity issues.”

“While meeting the needs of all learners is central to the mission of the **Richard W. Riley College of Education**, the needs of diverse learners are an increasing concern for all those who work with children and families. South Carolina has seen rapid growth in diverse populations, particularly in the number of Latino students enrolled in schools,” Marchel explained. “We are excited to bring this broad-ranging perspective on diversity to the Winthrop and local communities.”

Send completed registration forms to Barrie Platt, 106 Withers/W.T.S. Building, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC 29733. Full-day registration (includes lunch) is \$30 before Friday, Nov. 7, and \$35 after Nov. 7 (does not include lunch). Registration for lunch and noon keynote speech only is \$15 and must be received by Nov. 7.

For more information about conference registration, e-mail Marchel at marchelc@winthrop.edu.

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